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Title: **ELECTRICALLY MOTORIZED PUMP
HAVING A SUBMERSIBLE SLEEVE BEARING**

Examiner: Michael Kocz Jr.

Art Unit: 3746

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
OF JANUARY 10, 2005**

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2005.

Applicant hereby requests a **three-month extension** of time for said response to the Office Action. The extended period for response expires on **July 11, 2005** (as July 10, 2005 is a Sunday). A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 in payment of the extension fee is transmitted herewith. As such, this response is timely filed within the three-month extension period. A formal Petition for Extension of Time is also being filed herewith.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments in the Specification begin on page 7 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Replacement Sheets of Figures 1-6 are enclosed, as requested by the Examiner.

No new matter has been added.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims and to further examine the application in view of the following amendments thereto and comments set forth below.